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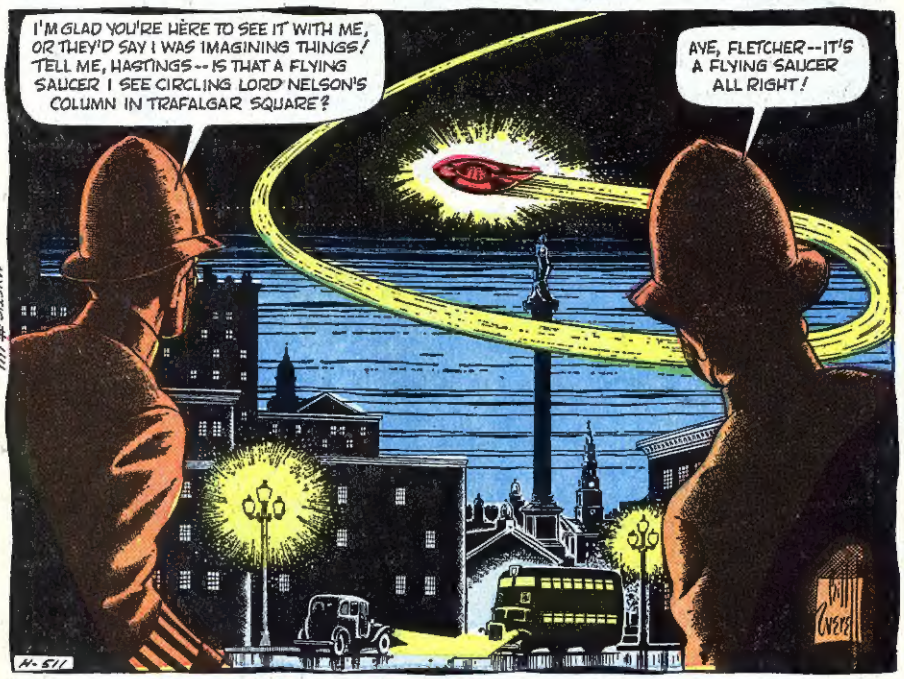
THERE WERE THOSE IN LONDON WHO COULD POINT TO THE MYSTERIOUS STRANGER AND EXCLAIM THAT HERE WAS THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE TROUBLE! BUT THE WORLD WAS DESTINED NEVER TO KNOW THE ANSWER TO THE QUESTION: *WAS THE SUSPECT THE REAL CULPRIT, OR JUST ANOTHER VICTIM?*

MAN FROM THE SAUCER!


I'M GLAD YOU'RE HERE TO SEE IT WITH ME, OR THEY'D SAY I WAS IMAGINING THINGS! TELL ME, HASTINGS -- IS THAT A FLYING SAUCER I SEE CIRCLING LORD NELSON'S COLUMN IN TRAFALGAR SQUARE?
AYE, FLETCHER -- IT'S A FLYING SAUCER ALL RIGHT!
Bill Everett
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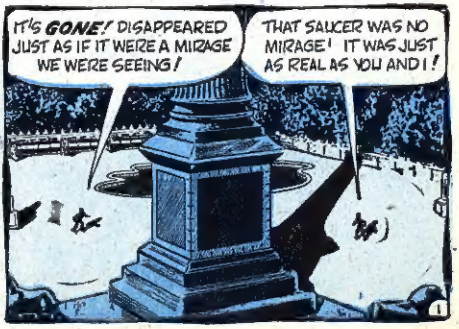
IT'S GOING TO LAND! MAYBE NOW WE'LL GET THE ANSWER TO A LOT OF QUESTIONS FOLKS HAVE BEEN ASKING ABOUT THOSE THINGS!
WHERE *DO* THE SAUCERS COME FROM, AND WHAT MANNER OF CREATURES DO THEY CARRY, I WONDER?

WHEN OFFICERS HASTINGS AND FLETCHER REACHED THE SQUARE, THEY CIRCLED THE COLUMN, SEARCHING THE WHOLE DARK, SILENT AREA...



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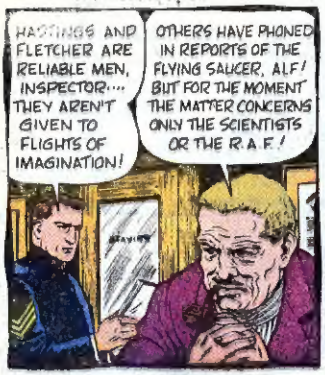
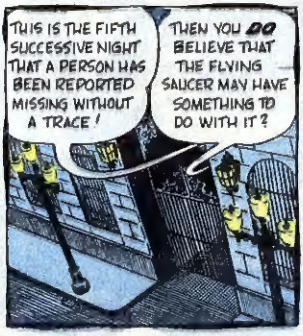

HASTINGS AND FLETCHER ARE RELIABLE MEN, INSPECTOR.... THEY AREN'T GIVEN TO FLIGHTS OF IMAGINATION!
OTHERS HAVE PHONED IN REPORTS OF THE FLYING SAUCER, ALF! BUT FOR THE MOMENT THE MATTER CONCERNS ONLY THE SCIENTISTS OR THE R.A.F.!

BUT WITHIN A WEEK'S TIME, INSPECTOR CEDRIC CAVANAUGH LEARNED THAT THE PRESENCE OF THE FLYING SAUCER WAS VERY MUCH A MATTER FOR SCOTLAND YARD....


THIS IS THE FIFTH SUCCESSIVE NIGHT THAT A PERSON HAS BEEN REPORTED MISSING WITHOUT A TRACE!
THEN YOU DO BELIEVE THAT THE FLYING SAUCER MAY HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT?

I'M CONVINCED OF IT, ALF! I WANT EVERY MAN ON THE FORCE TO WATCH OUT FOR THAT SAUCER! I WANT PEOPLE WARNED TO STAY OFF THE STREETS AT NIGHT!

THE WARNINGS WENT OUT, AND SOME PEOPLE HEEDED THEM--OTHERS SIMPLY WOULDN'T STAY HOME AT NIGHT! THERE WERE SOME LIKE EDWIN RUDLEY, MANAGER OF A CAFE IN SOHO.....

IT'S ALL WELL AND GOOD TO TELL PEOPLE TO KEEP OFF THE STREETS, BUT WHAT ABOUT THEM WHAT'S GOT TO MAKE A LIVIN'?
AYE! YOU GET SO YOU SUSPECT EVERYBODY THAT EVEN LOOKS JUST A LITTLE DIFFERENT!

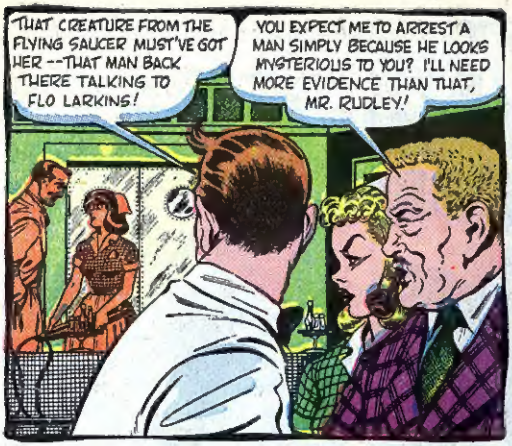
AYE...DIFFERENT LIKE THAT BLOKE WHO'S BEEN COMIN' IN HERE EVERY NIGHT TO SEE FLO LARKINS!
IT'D MAKE ME A LOT HAPPIER IF SHE'D STAY AWAY FROM HIM!

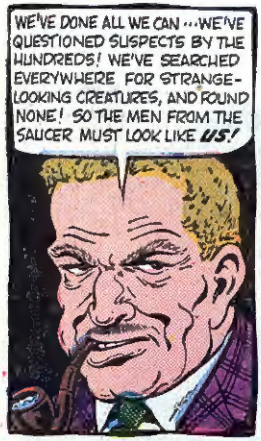
THE OTHER WAITRESSES IN THE CAFE MAY HAVE BEEN UNEASY ABOUT THE MYSTERIOUS-LOOKING BURT MARSHALL, BUT FLO FOUND HIM UTTERLY FASCINATING....

I'D LIKE TO GO OUT WITH YOU, BURT, BUT THE POLICE WANT PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS AT NIGHT!
YOU HAVE TO GO OUT ON THE STREETS TO GET HOME, FLO!

YES, OF COURSE! WELL, I SUPPOSE IT'D BE ALL RIGHT FOR YOU TO WALK ME HOME...I'M FINISHED AT MIDNIGHT, IF YOU DON'T MIND WAITING?
I'LL MEET YOU OUT FRONT RIGHT AFTER TWELVE, FLO!

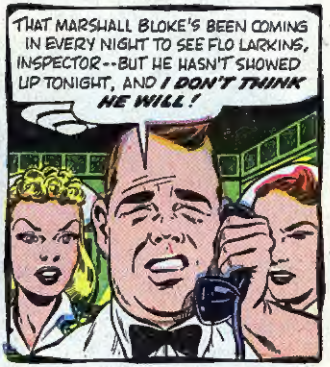
I TELL YOU, THERE'S SOMETHING MIGHTY STRANGE ABOUT THAT FELLOW, FLO! HE'S ONE OF THEM!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN BY "ONE OF THEM"! BURT IS REALLY A VERY DECENT SORT OF CHAP!
HONEY, YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! YOUR BLOKE COULD BE ONE OF THEM THINGS FROM THE FLYING SAUCER!
YOU'RE WRONG ABOUT BURT! HE'S TOLD ME ALL ABOUT HIMSELF! HE WRITES FOR MAGAZINES!
BURT MARSHALL MET FLO AFTER MIDNIGHT, AS HE'D PROMISED! THEY WERE HALFWAY TO HER DIGS IN KNIGHTSBRIDGE WHEN THEY NOTICED SHADOWY FIGURES BEHIND THEM!
BURT!! THOSE PEOPLE ARE FOLLOWING US!
DON'T WORRY, FLO··· IT'S JUST THE GIRLS WHO WORK WITH YOU AT RUDLEY'S!
OH! WHY, YOU NOSY LITTLE SNOOPERS! YOU'VE NO RIGHT TO SPY ON US LIKE THIS!
WE'RE ONLY DOING IT FOR YOUR OWN PROTECTION, FLO··· OR DO YOU WANT TO BE THE NEXT ONE TO VANISH IN THE NIGHT?
I TOLD YOU BEFORE! I'M SAFE WITH BURT! I DON'T NEED YOUR PROTECTION!
THEY THINK I'M THE MAN FROM THE SAUCER, FLO! THEY MEAN WELL, AND I DON'T MIND, REALLY!
AND SO, FLO LARKINS' UNINVITED BODYGUARD CONTINUED SHADOWING HER AND BURT····
WELL, SHE'S HOME AT LAST! LET'S BE ON OUR WAY!
NOT M.T.! I'M NOT LEAVING UNTIL HE GOES AND I KNOW SHE'S SAFE IN HER OWN FLAT!
FLO LARKINS WAS SAFE, ALL RIGHT···BUT ONE OF THE GIRLS WHO HAD FOLLOWED HER HOME FAILED TO SHOW UP FOR WORK THE NEXT NIGHT!
···THEN WILMA AND I LEFT LEIGH A FEW DOORS FROM WHERE SHE LIVED··· AND THAT'S THE LAST WE SAW OF HER, POOR THING!
AND THIS MORNING YOU PHONED HER LANDLADY AND FOUND THAT MISS HAWKINS'S BED HAD NOT EVEN BEEN SLEPT IN?


THAT CREATURE FROM THE FLYING SAUCER MUST'VE GOT HER--THAT MAN BACK THERE TALKING TO FLO LARKINS!
YOU EXPECT ME TO ARREST A MAN SIMPLY BECAUSE HE LOOKS MYSTERIOUS TO YOU? I'LL NEED MORE EVIDENCE THAN THAT, MR. RUDLEY!

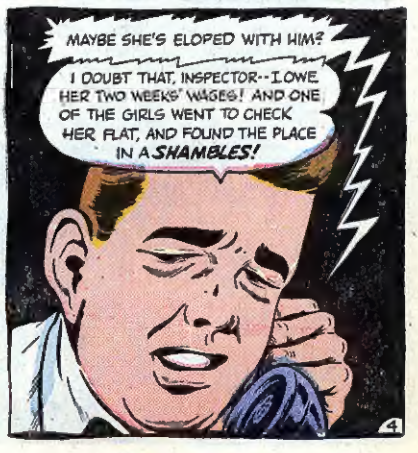

WE'VE DONE ALL WE CAN ...WE'VE QUESTIONED SUSPECTS BY THE HUNDREDS! WE'VE SEARCHED EVERYWHERE FOR STRANGE-LOOKING CREATURES, AND FOUND NONE! SO THE MEN FROM THE SAUCER MUST LOOK LIKE US!

LOOK AT THEM, ALL STARING AT ME! DON'T YOU SUSPECT ME TOO, FLO?
DON'T BE ANGRY WITH ME, BURT! I TRUST YOU, AND I'LL GO OUT WITH YOU AFTER WORK TONIGHT, IF YOU LIKE!

FLO DID GO OUT WITH BURT LATER THAT NIGHT....BUT THE NEXT EVENING THERE WAS UNEASINESS IN THE SMALL CAFÉ....

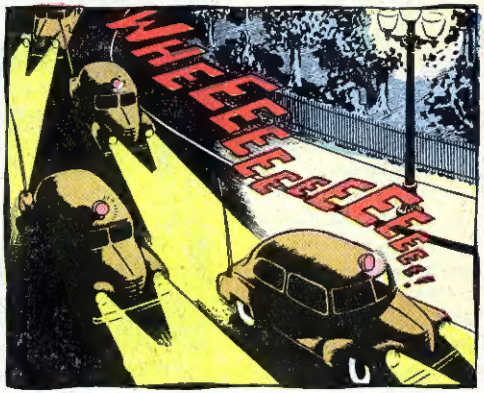

THAT MARSHALL BLOKE'S BEEN COMING IN EVERY NIGHT TO SEE FLO LARKINS, INSPECTOR--BUT HE HASN'T SHOWED UP TONIGHT, AND I DON'T THINK HE WILL!

WELL, PERHAPS HE'S JUST TIRED OF BEING STARED AT AS IF HE'D COMMITTED A CRIME! DOESN'T MISS LARKINS KNOW WHERE HE IS?
THAT'S JUST THE TROUBLE, INSPECTOR! FLO HASN'T COME IN YET, EITHER!


MAYBE SHE'S ELOPED WITH HIM?
I DOUBT THAT, INSPECTOR--I OWE HER TWO WEEKS' WAGES! AND ONE OF THE GIRLS WENT TO CHECK HER FLAT, AND FOUND THE PLACE IN A SHAMBLES!

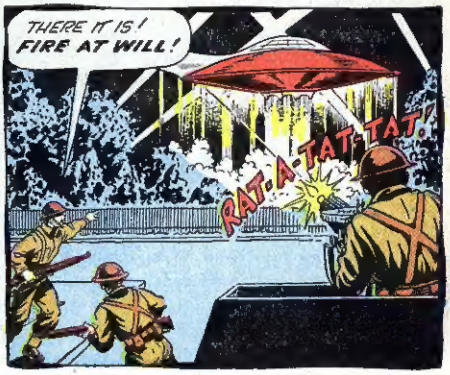
HE'S GOT HER, INSPECTOR! HE'S TAKEN FLO LARKINS TO THE FLYING SAUCER, ALONG WITH THE OTHERS! YOU'VE GOT TO FIND HER!
WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A BIG TRY AT IT, RUDLEY!

WITHIN FIVE MINUTES, A FULL-SCALE HUNT FOR THE ELUSIVE FLYING SAUCER WAS UNDER WAY....



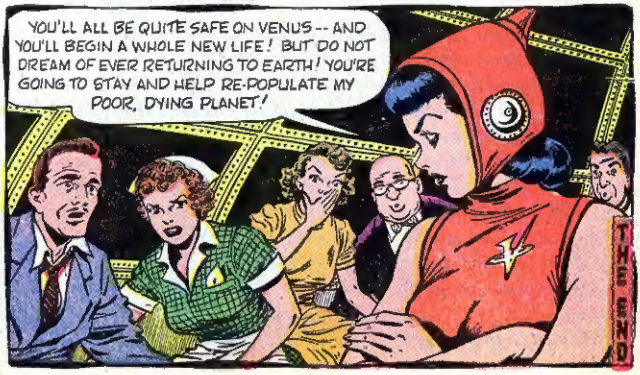
AND, AT THE REQUEST OF INSPECTOR CAVANAUGH, THE MILITARY WAS ENLISTED IN THE RELENTLESS SEARCH!

THEN SUDDENLY, WITH A LOUD WHIRR, THE SAUCER ROSE UP AHEAD OF THEM LIKE A GREAT BIRD STARTLED OUT OF ITS NEST IN A MARSH!



THERE IT GOES, ALF! AND WITH IT GO SEVERAL INNOCENT PEOPLE! YES--AND THAT WAITRESS, FLO LARKINS, WHO TRUSTED A STRANGER TOO MUCH! SHE'S WITH THEM, TOO, ON THAT FANTASTIC SAUCER!

YES... MR. RUDLEY OF THE CAFÉ, INSPECTOR CAVANAUGH, AND THE WAITRESSES WITH WHOM FLO WORKED, WERE ALL QUITE RIGHT! FLO LARKINS WAS ABOARD THE FLYING SAUCER! IN FACT--SHE WAS IN COMMAND OF IT.!!


YOU'LL ALL BE QUITE SAFE ON VENUS -- AND YOU'LL BEGIN A WHOLE NEW LIFE! BUT DO NOT DREAM OF EVER RETURNING TO EARTH! YOU'RE GOING TO STAY AND HELP RE-POPULATE MY POOR, DYING PLANET!
THE END

SKY SQUADRONS

THE two officers sat in the signal room silently. The radar and sonar screens suggested no incoming craft and the spaceport control tower had informed them that no out-of-space flight had beamed in for landing instructions. Both officers shook their heads sadly.

"Why haven't they returned?" Commander Kroog puzzled aloud. "We sent out six of our most skilled squadrons on the same mission. Not one has returned or radioed in a report. Much as I hate to admit it, I'm afraid our volunteers will never return."

His aide bowed his head for a moment. "Perhaps, sir," he said hopefully, "they were caught in an interstellar storm, driven far off their course and forced to land for repairs on some remote space strip. Or perhaps the young planet that interests you so proved to be a fascinating place, however primitive it is, and they're just slow in filing their reports."

"I appreciate your desire to comfort me, Lieutenant," Commander Kroog replied, "but I fear your theories have no basis in fact. An interstellar storm might have swept up *one* of our squadrons, but hardly all six! Besides, why didn't they beam in a distress signal? They were on a peaceful mission, but possibly some other planet mistook their intentions.

"I can't convince myself either that they're merely dallying about on this new planet. Perhaps it was true of the first mission. But all succeeding flights were under orders to report as soon as they landed on or encountered our previous units. We haven't had a peep from outer space since any of them left. What's left for me to conclude?"

"And I can't believe that they're gone for good, sir," the Lieutenant argued respectfully. "Our civilization is far superior to the new planet's. They have no defense nets to prevent our ships from landing, no interceptors to match the speed of our Zoomrockets, nor the mental or physical capacity to meet any challenge from us. Besides, as you point out, our mission was a peaceful one."

"That's true," Kroog admitted ruefully, "but I just can't figure it out. The inhabitants of that poor planet are tall, and their culture is crude. Some of them navigate on two feet, but most of them forage about on all fours in search of food, according to our scientific experts. They haven't solved the secret of solar flight and know nothing of the world outside their own orbit. They should have provided no obstacle to our reconnaissance teams. But," and he broke off with a resigned shrug, "we haven't seen or heard from any of them."

"Do you dare equip another squadron and send them out on the same mission?" his aide inquired.

"I have complete conviction in my plan to establish contact with this planet," Kroog answered. "But I can't call for more volunteers for what my critics have labeled 'Kroog's Kraze.' Our crews are courageous and willing, but I haven't the heart to send them out to disappear like the others."

"Then you'll abandon the project?" the Lieutenant was shocked.

"Not quite," came Kroog's quiet rejoinder. "I just won't assign any more young, eager volunteers. This time, *I'll go myself!* If I've been mistaken all along, no one else will have to suffer except myself."

"Except you *and me*," his aide corrected him with a smile. "You'll need another rider even if you set the robot controls. I can be your space navigator, your contact man for the home radar and sonar systems and your rocket rifleman *if* you run into unexpected trouble."

Commander Kroog shook his hand warmly. "I wouldn't have asked for another volunteer, but I am glad you're coming along. Let's contact the supreme council and get clearance for our flight. This time, there'll be no slip up. We'll beam in regular reports so they can follow our progress."

And so the mission was prepared. Commander Kroog and his aide were placed in the time and space converter and emerged as creatures of the new planet. Then they were fitted with oxygen masks and heavy clothing to keep them warm and comfortable during their long flight. The motors, cockpit gauges and all the equipment were checked and found in perfect working order. They were ready to take off.

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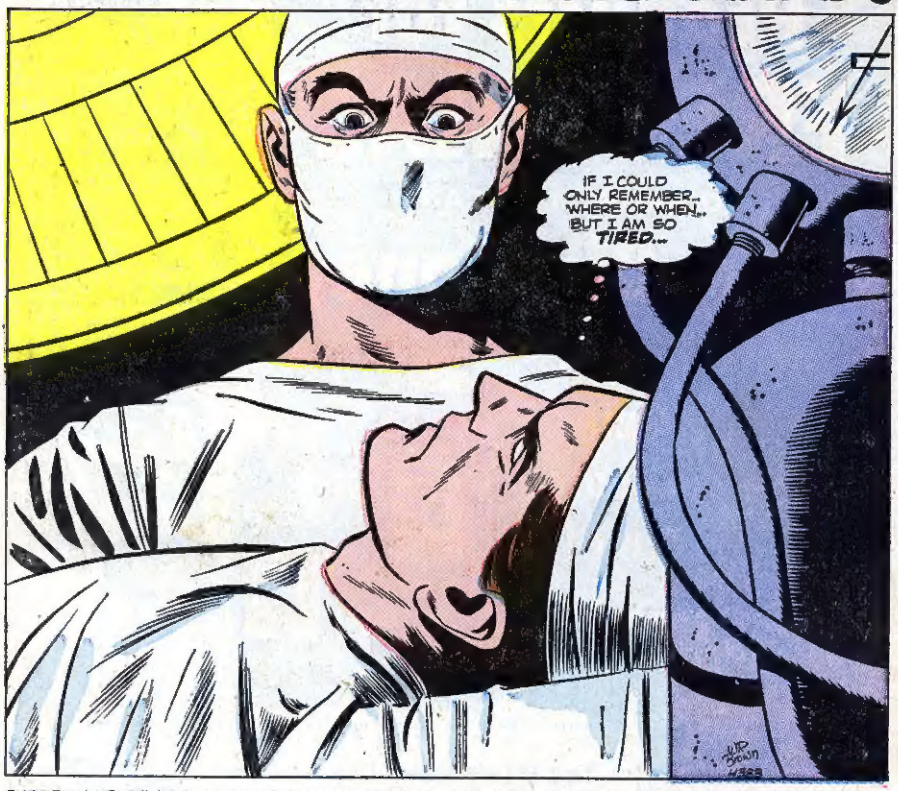
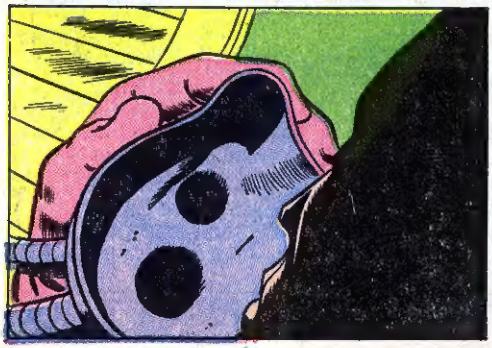
JOHN CARTER LAY ON THE OPERATING TABLE LOOKING UP INTO THE DARK, VIVID EYES OF THE SURGEON! THEY REMINDED HIM OF SOMETHING, BUT HE COULDN'T REMEMBER WHAT!

THOSE IN HIDING!

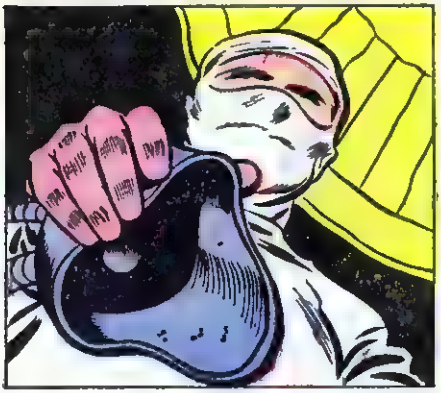


SUDDENLY HE RELAXED, LAUGHING WITHIN HIMSELF, KNOWING HE NEED NOT WORRY! THE DOCTOR WAS THE FINEST SURGEON IN THE COUNTRY...

VAGUELY HE THOUGHT..."IT WILL BE OVER BEFORE I KNOW IT AND I'LL BE WELL AGAIN!" AND IN A LAST COMICALLY HUMAN GESTURE, HE CROSSED HIS FINGERS...



SUDDENLY, THE ETHER MASK WAS SNATCHED AWAY! JOHN CARTER OPENED HIS EYES, BUT ALL HE COULD SEE WERE VAGUE, FUZZY FIGURES TOWERING ABOVE HIM...

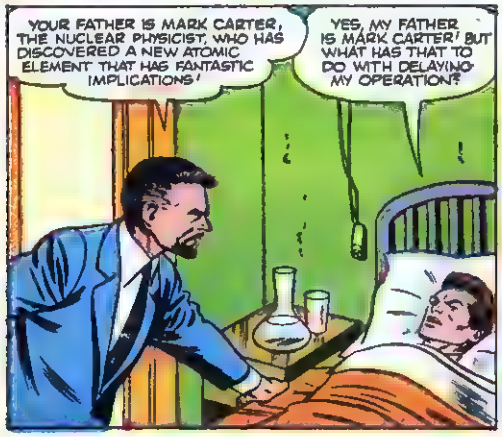


HIS VISION CLEARED! THE SURGEON WAS REMOVING HIS GAUZE MASK, HIS EYES WERE BLAZING, HIS VOICE LIKE THUNDER IN THE QUIET..

HE WAS BEWILDERED! WHAT HAD GONE WRONG? WHY HAD DR. PENTOLL BEEN SO ANGRY?

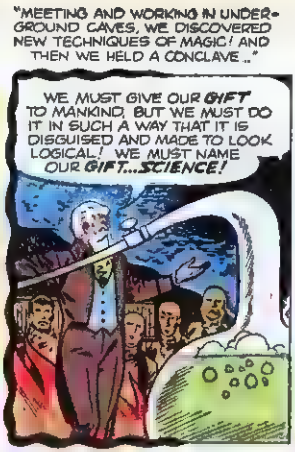
HE WAS BACK IN HIS BED IN HIS PRIVATE ROOM! HE STILL HAD NO IDEA WHY THE OPERATION HAD BEEN HALTED ..

THE DOOR SWUNG OPEN AND DR. WILSON PENTOLL STOOD FRAMED IN THE DOORWAY! JOHN LOOKED INTO HIS EYES, AND SUDDENLY HE KNEW..


YOUR FATHER IS MARK CARTER, THE NUCLEAR PHYSICIST, WHO HAS DISCOVERED A NEW ATOMIC ELEMENT THAT HAS FANTASTIC IMPLICATIONS!
YES, MY FATHER IS MARK CARTER! BUT WHAT HAS THAT TO DO WITH DELAYING MY OPERATION?

DON'T PRETEND! YOU FOUND OUT ABOUT US, BECAUSE YOUR FATHER IS PROBABLY ONE OF US! YOU MADE THE SIGN..YOU CROSSED YOUR FINGERS!
MY FATHER. ONE OF YOU? I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
YOUR FATHER AND I ARE MEMBERS OF THE SECRET SORCERERS! YOU ARE PROBABLY THE ONLY NORMAL HUMAN BEING ALIVE WHO KNOWS OUR SECRET!
SECRET SORCERERS?
YES.. A SELECT GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE GIFT, AND WHO HAVE RAISED MANKIND FROM THE DEPTHS TO THE HEIGHTS!
"IT BEGAN WITH THE FIRST SORCERER WHO GAVE MANKIND FIRE...FOR LIGHT, FOR PROTECTION AGAINST THE BEASTS, FOR WARMTH, FOR BURNING!"
"HE WAS THE FIRST TO SERVE MANKIND AND HE SAVED MANKIND FROM EXTINCTION! LATER THERE WAS ANOTHER WHO INVENTED GUNPOWDER."
NOW FROM OUR GATES, WE OF THE ADVANCED CIVILIZATION SHALL REPEL THE SAVAGE HORDES OF THE INVADER!
BAM!
THERE WERE SOME WITH THE GIFT, A FEW FOOLS WHO DIDN'T REALIZE OUR DUTY TO MANKIND AND USED THAT GIFT FOR EVIL! THEY WERE DESTROYED, EITHER BY MANKIND OR BY OUR OWN PEOPLE WHEN WE FOUND OUT ABOUT THEM!

BUT WE HAD BEEN DISCOVERED, AND FOR LONG YEARS WE HAD TO GO INTO HIDING, AFRAID TO GIVE OUR GIFTS TO MAN! DURING THAT TIME, WE PERFECTED OUR GIFT..

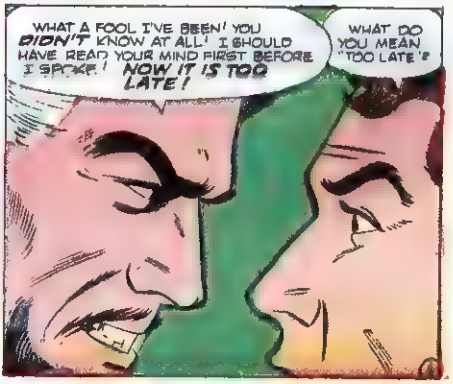

"MEETING AND WORKING IN UNDERGROUND CAVES, WE DISCOVERED NEW TECHNIQUES OF MAGIC! AND THEN WE HELD A CONCLAVE .."
WE MUST GIVE OUR GIFT TO MANKIND, BUT WE MUST DO IT IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT IS DISGUISED AND MADE TO LOOK LOGICAL! WE MUST NAME OUR GIFT...SCIENCE!

UNDER THE BAGIC TERM "SCIENCE," WE CAN COME OUT INTO THE OPEN, EXPERIMENT AND LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR GIFT, AND SO EVER ADVANCE MAN TOWARD THE GOLDEN AGE!

YES, WE ARE THE SCIENTISTS, THE MECHANICAL WIZARDS, THE GENIUSES, WHO HAVE BROUGHT TO THE WORLD ATOMIC ENERGY AND MODERN MEDICINE!
YOU MEAN THE ATOMIC BOMBS, JET PLANES... ALL THESE THINGS ARE REALLY MAGIC?

OF COURSE! AND YOU FOUND OUT THAT "CROSSED FINGERS" WAS ONE OF THE OLD SIGNS WHICH COULD MAKE NEGATIVE OUR POWER!
NO! I DIDN'T KNOW!

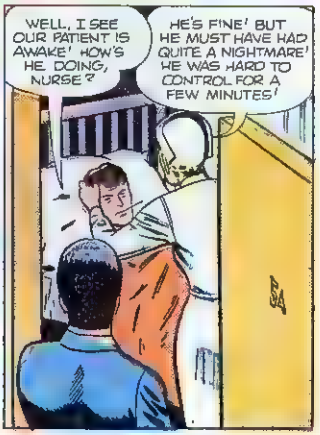
SUDDENLY JOHN CARTER KNEW THAT HE HAD MADE A MISTAKE! THE SURGEON LEANED CLOSE HIS EYES BORING INTO JOHN'S AS THOUGH HE COULD READ HIS EVERY THOUGHT!


WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN! YOU DIDN'T KNOW AT ALL! I SHOULD HAVE READ YOUR MIND FIRST BEFORE I SPOKE! NOW IT IS TOO LATE!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "TOO LATE"?

HE FELT HIMSELF SINKING INTO A COMA AND THE VOICE OF THE SURGEON FADED TO SOME FAR REMOTE PLACE.

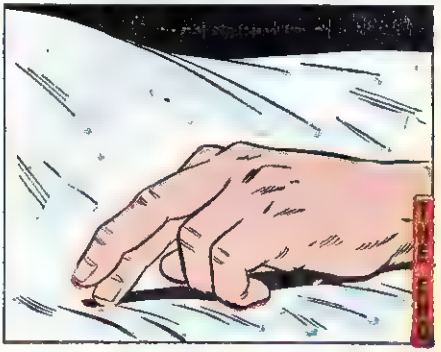
FOR THE GOOD OF ALL MANKIND I MUST BE RUTHLESS WITH YOU! YOU ARE UNDER A SEDATIVE NOW! YOU WILL BE TAKEN TO THE OPERATING ROOM, AND I WILL OPERATE!

THERE WAS A LIGHTNESS, A FLOATING, A MOVEMENT! SOMETHING HOVERED OVER HIM, SOMETHING BLURRED AND WHITE! HE MUST FIGHT...


WELL, I SEE OUR PATIENT IS AWAKE! HOW'S HE DOING, NURSE?
HE'S FINE! BUT HE MUST HAVE HAD QUITE A NIGHTMARE! HE WAS HARD TO CONTROL FOR A FEW MINUTES!

THEN IT WAS ALL A DREAM, BROUGHT ON BY THE ANESTHETIC! THE OPERATION, DOCTOR?
A COMPLETE SUCCESS! BUT NOW I'LL GIVE YOU A SEDATIVE...SO YOU CAN GET SOME SLEEP!

HE LAY ALONE, HIS EYES HEAVY, FALLING INTO SLEEP! THERE WAS A SMILE ON HIS LIPS AS HE THOUGHT.."EVEN THOUGH IT WAS ONLY A DREAM IN A WAY, SO MANY THINGS ARE LIKE MAGIC".. HIS EYES CLOSED, HE SLEPT.. WITH HIS FINGERS CROSSED!



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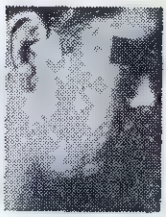
BEFORE

This young man suffered from a severe case of acne for years and tried all the usual "remedies" without success.

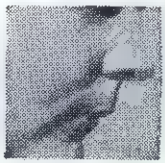


AFTER

Same young man after using KERAPLEX twice a day for just one week. Notice the decided improvement—pimples completely gone!

BEFORE

Note more than a dozen blemishes on just one side of this girl's face before KERAPLEX was applied.



AFTER

Same girl had used KERAPLEX twice a day for only 5 days when above photo was taken. Note the amazing improvement.

WHAT USERS SAY:

"I was suffering from a severe case of acne . . . and with only 4 days' treatment with Keraplex . . . was completely relieved."—P. S.

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—K. W.

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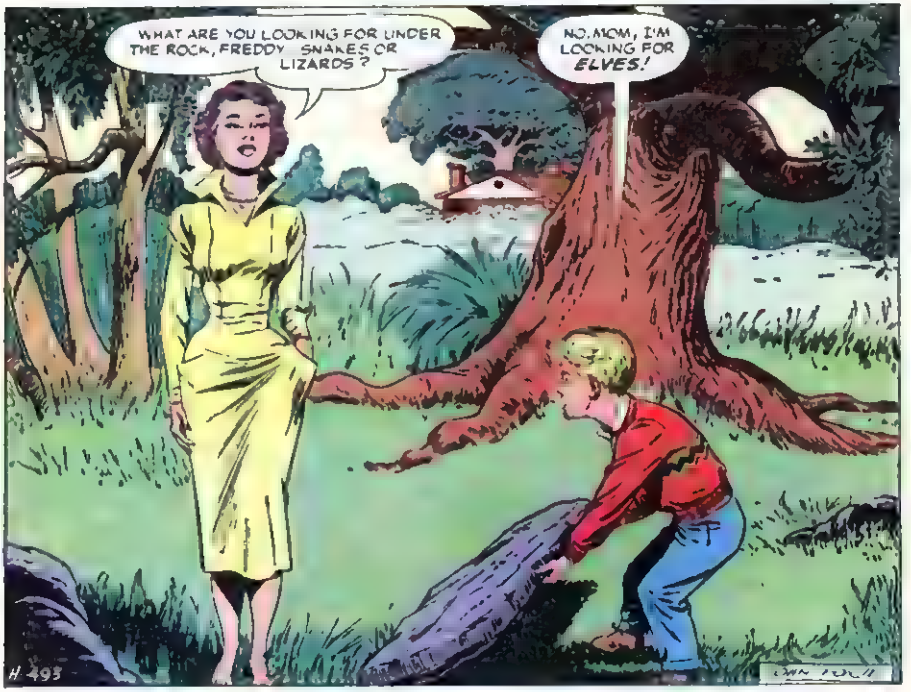
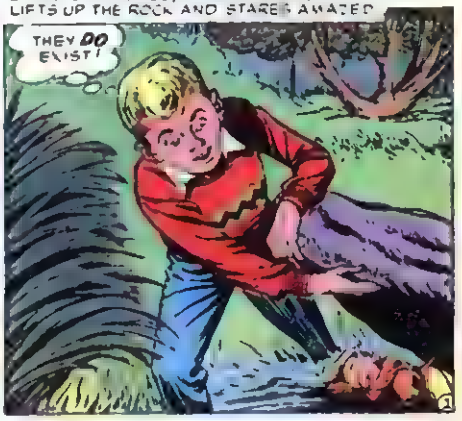
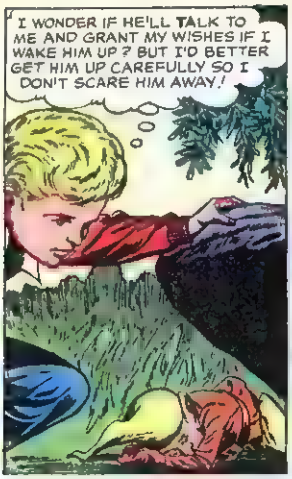
HE WAS SURE OF WHAT HE SAW, EVEN THOUGH HIS PARENTS AND EVERYONE ELSE LAUGHED AT HIS STARTLING ACCOUNT OF THE SECRET UNDER THE ROCK!

THE FOOTPRINTS

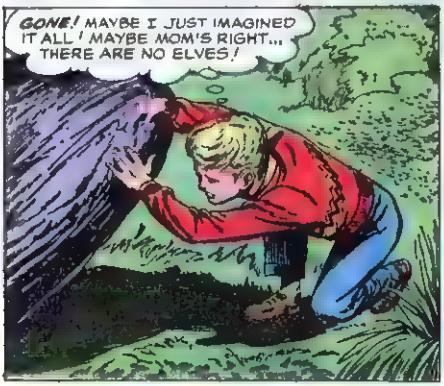


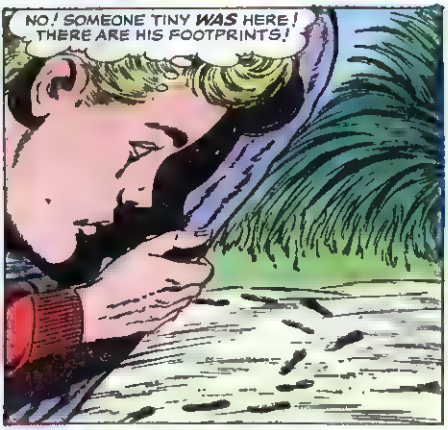
BUT WITH YOUTHFUL DETERMINATION, ONCE THE LAWN IS WATERED, FREDDY RACES BACK! HE LIFTS UP THE ROCK AND STARES AMAZED



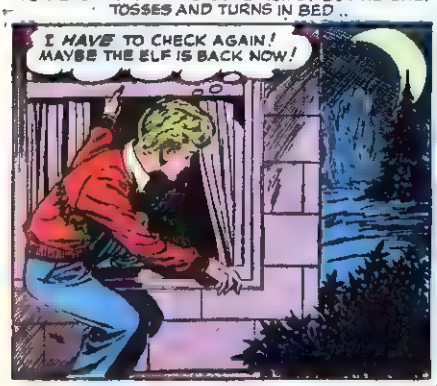


RUSHING THROUGH HIS DINNER, FREDDY DASHES BACK TO THE ROCK AND LIFTS IT UP EXPECTANTLY...

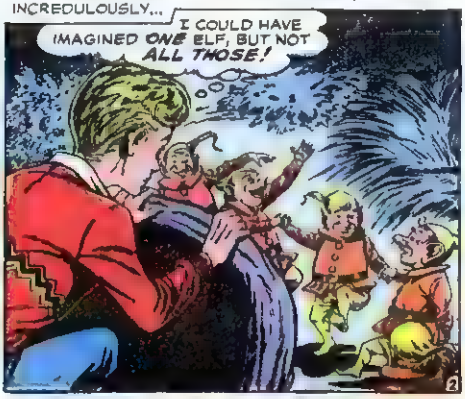


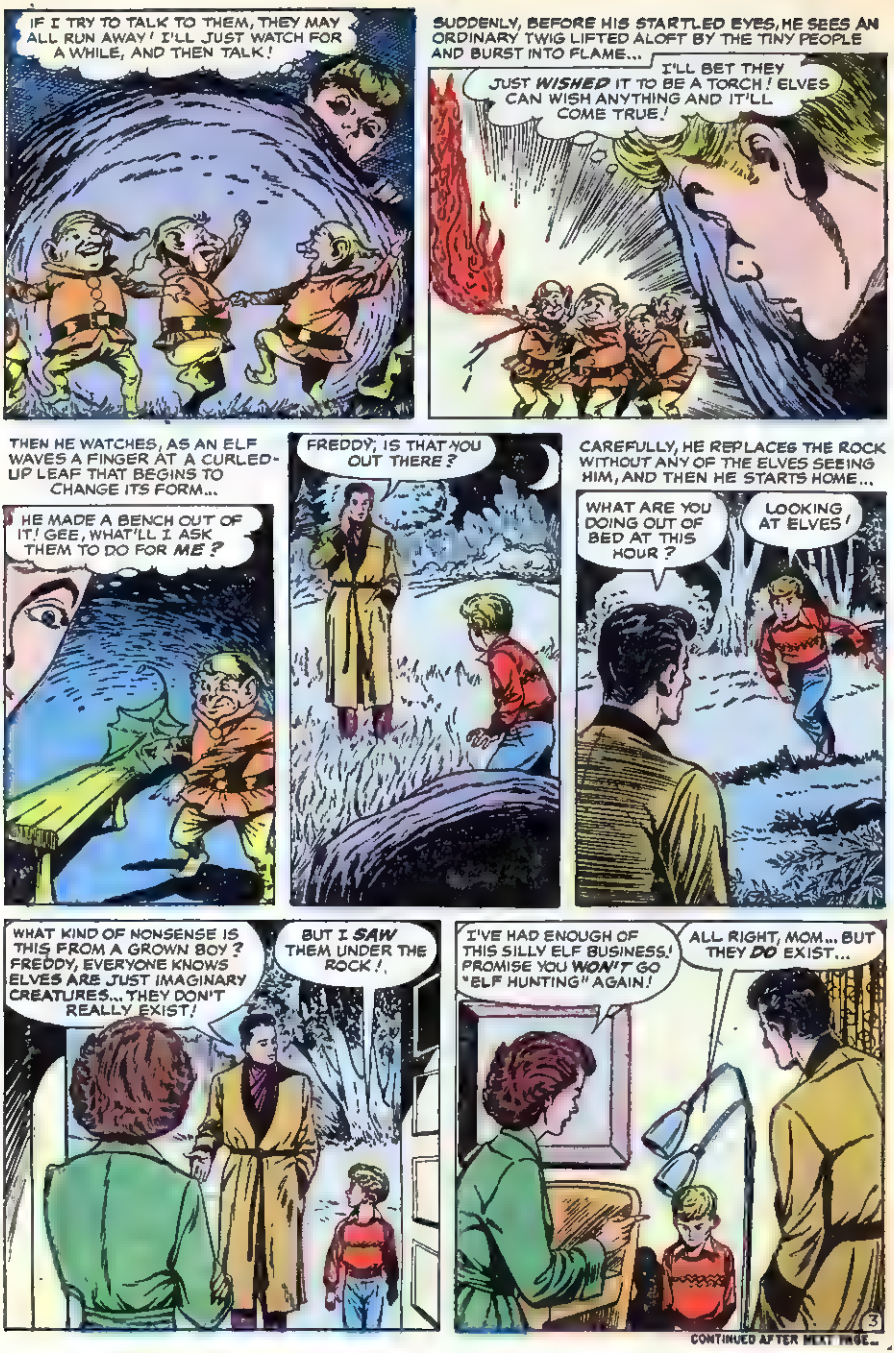


IN VAIN, FREDDY WAITS TILL DARK FOR THE ELF TO RETURN! THEN HE GOES HOME! BUT HE ONLY TOSSES AND TURNS IN BED...



AND AS HE RAISES THE ROCK THIS TIME, HE GAPES INCREDULOUSLY...




IF I TRY TO TALK TO THEM, THEY MAY ALL RUN AWAY! I'LL JUST WATCH FOR A WHILE, AND THEN TALK!
SUDDENLY, BEFORE HIS STARTLED EYES, HE SEES AN ORDINARY TWIG LIFTED ALOFT BY THE TINY PEOPLE AND BURST INTO FLAME...
I'LL BET THEY JUST WISHED IT TO BE A TORCH! ELVES CAN WISH ANYTHING AND IT'LL COME TRUE!
THEN HE WATCHES, AS AN ELF WAVES A FINGER AT A CURLED-UP LEAF THAT BEGINS TO CHANGE ITS FORM...
HE MADE A BENCH OUT OF IT! GEE, WHAT'LL I ASK THEM TO DO FOR ME?
FREDDY, IS THAT YOU OUT THERE?
CAREFULLY, HE REPLACES THE ROCK WITHOUT ANY OF THE ELVES SEEING HIM, AND THEN HE STARTS HOME...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING OUT OF BED AT THIS HOUR?
LOOKING AT ELVES!
WHAT KIND OF NONSENSE IS THIS FROM A GROWN BOY? FREDDY, EVERYONE KNOWS ELVES ARE JUST IMAGINARY CREATURES... THEY DON'T REALLY EXIST!
BUT I SAW THEM UNDER THE ROCK!
I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS SILLY ELF BUSINESS! I PROMISE YOU WON'T GO "ELF HUNTING" AGAIN!
ALL RIGHT, MOM... BUT THEY DO EXIST...
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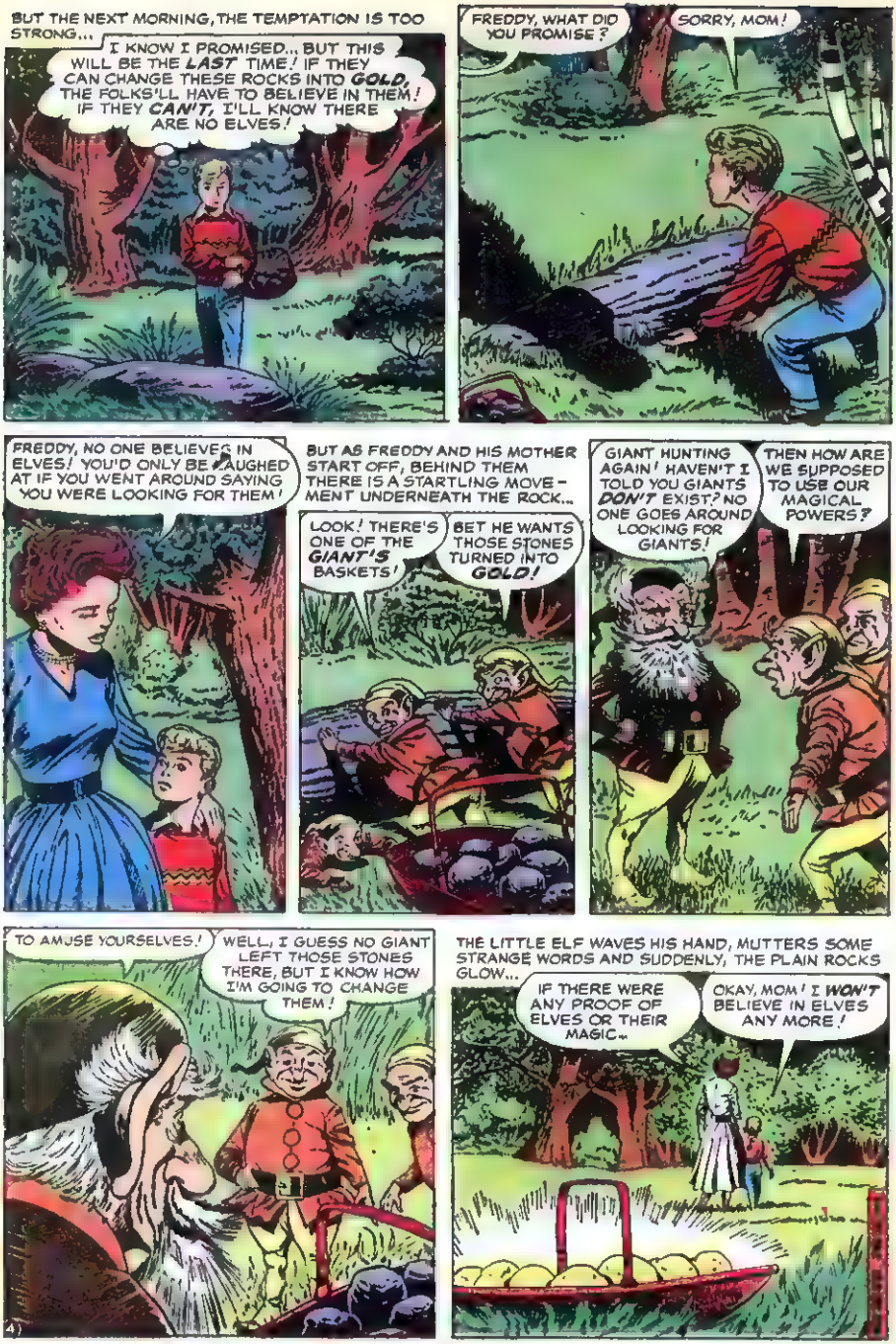
BUT THE NEXT MORNING, THE TEMPTATION IS TOO STRONG...
I KNOW I PROMISED... BUT THIS WILL BE THE LAST TIME! IF THEY CAN CHANGE THESE ROCKS INTO GOLD, THE FOLKS'LL HAVE TO BELIEVE IN THEM! IF THEY CAN'T, I'LL KNOW THERE ARE NO ELVES!
FREDDY, WHAT DID YOU PROMISE?
SORRY, MOM!
FREDDY, NO ONE BELIEVES IN ELVES! YOU'D ONLY BE LAUGHED AT IF YOU WENT AROUND SAYING YOU WERE LOOKING FOR THEM!
BUT AS FREDDY AND HIS MOTHER START OFF, BEHIND THEM THERE IS A STARTLING MOVEMENT UNDERNEATH THE ROCK...
LOOK! THERE'S ONE OF THE GIANT'S BASKETS!
BET HE WANTS THOSE STONES TURNED INTO GOLD!
GIANT HUNTING AGAIN! HAVEN'T I TOLD YOU GIANTS DON'T EXIST? NO ONE GOES AROUND LOOKING FOR GIANTS!
THEN HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO USE OUR MAGICAL POWERS?
TO AMUSE YOURSELVES!
WELL, I GUESS NO GIANT LEFT THOSE STONES THERE, BUT I KNOW HOW I'M GOING TO CHANGE THEM!
THE LITTLE ELF WAVES HIS HAND, MUTTERS SOME STRANGE WORDS AND SUDDENLY, THE PLAIN ROCKS GLOW...
IF THERE WERE ANY PROOF OF ELVES OR THEIR MAGIC...
OKAY, MOM! I WON'T BELIEVE IN ELVES ANY MORE!
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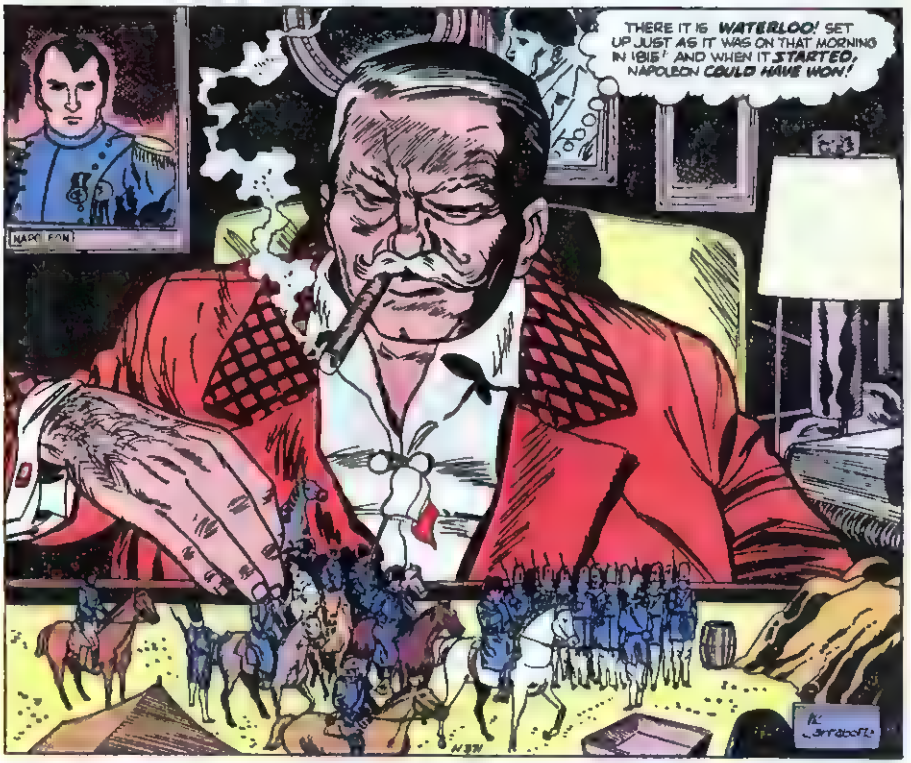
HAVE YOU EVER DREAMED OF FIGHTING A GREAT BATTLE OVER AGAIN, IN COMMAND OF THE LOSING SIDE, BUT, WITH YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE PAST MISTAKES, BEING ABLE TO WIN IT? GENERAL RYDER DREAMED OF DOING THAT, UNTIL TO HIS ASTONISHMENT, HE LEARNED WHO ACTUALLY LOST THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO!

DEFEAT!



AGAIN, THE RETIRED GENERAL RYDER INDULGES IN HIS FAVORITE HOBBY, RE-FIGHTING THE GREAT BATTLES OF HISTORY...

YES, IF I'D BEEN IN CHARGE INSTEAD OF NAPOLEON THAT DAY, FRANCE WOULD HAVE WON! HE MADE ONE MISTAKE! WHEN HE SIGHTED THE PRUSSIAN CAVALRY, HE SHOULD HAVE SENT MARSHAL GROUCHY AGAINST THEM AT ONCE!

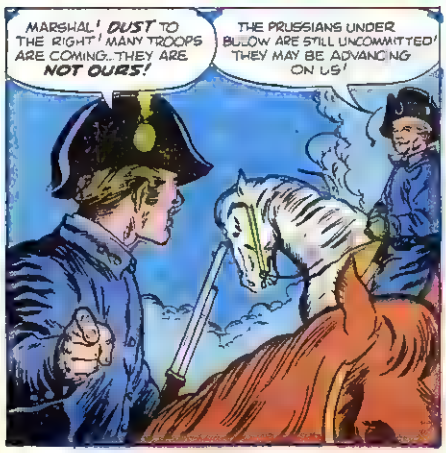
SUDDENLY, INSTEAD OF THE SILK LAPELS OF HIS SMOKING JACKET, THE RETIRED OFFICER FEELS A STRANGE CAPE COVERING HIM...

THOSE TROOPS THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE I CAN BE...WATERLOO!
JUST ELEVEN! THE BATTLE DIDN'T START TILL ELEVEN-THIRTY! WELL... THIS TIME THE FRENCH WILL WIN!
LET ME IN! I MUST SEE THE EMPEROR!
HE IS ILL! NO ONE MAY SEE HIM NOW!
RACKED WITH PAIN...NO WONDER HE MISHANDLED HIS TROOPS AT THE DECISIVE MOMENT!
NAPOLEON CANNOT TAKE THE FIELD! IF HE DOES, HIS PAIN WILL CLOUD HIS JUDGMENT AND SPELL FRANCE'S DOOM! I KNOW HIS PLANS! THIS MARSHAL'S BATON GIVES ME AUTHORITY TO COMMAND...I WILL LEAD THE FRENCH!
OUI, MON MARSHAL! WE WILL KEEP THE EMPEROR HERE!
GENERAL REILLES, SEND ONE DIVISION AGAINST HOUGOUMONT! THE BATTLE BEGINS!
GALLOPING BEHIND THE CHARGING CAVALRY, RYDER WATCHES AS THEY ENGAGE THE ALLIES ON THE RIGHT UNDER WELLINGTON..
PERFECT! NOW TO SEND A BLOW AGAINST WELLINGTON'S CENTER!

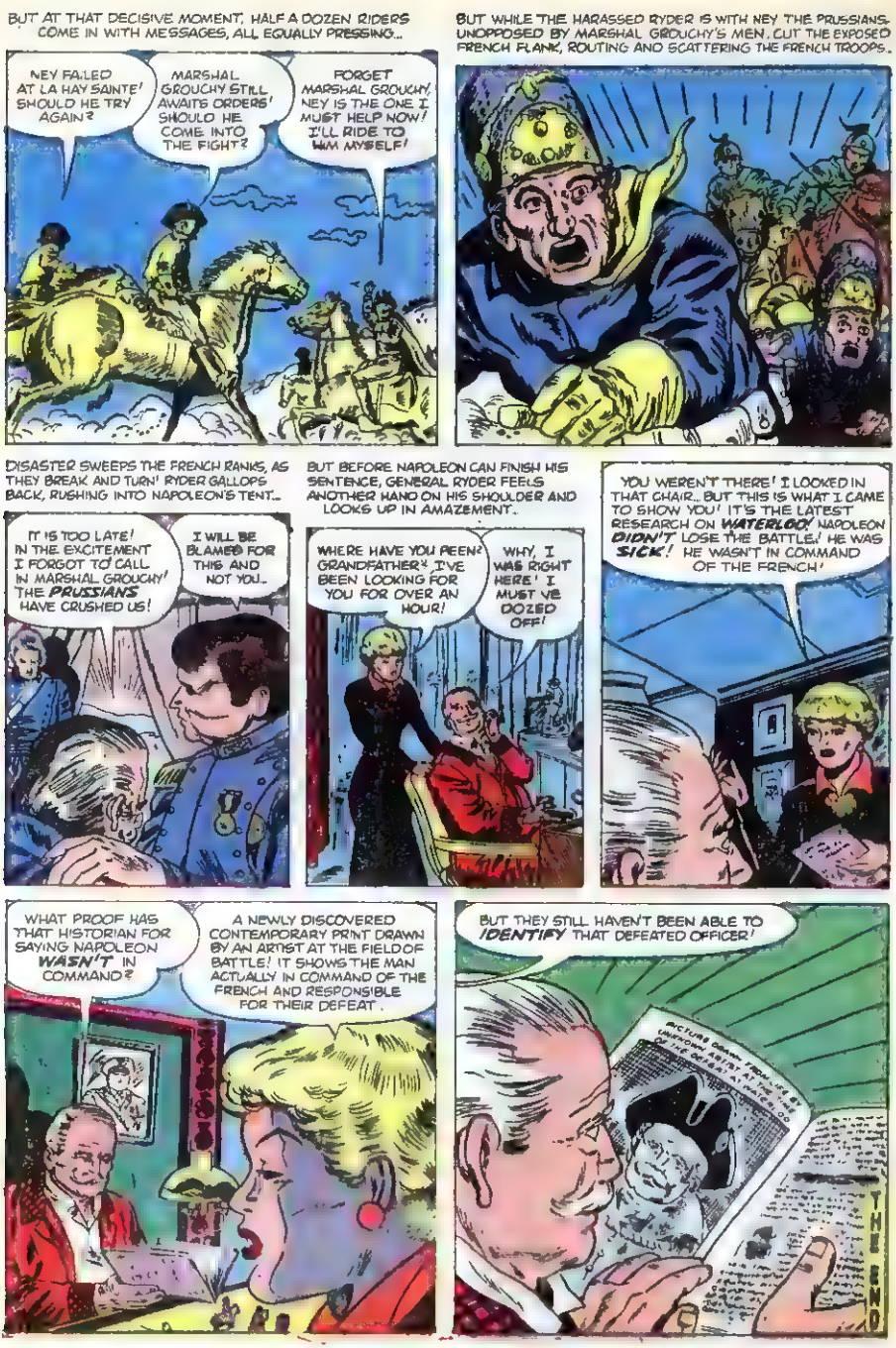
MARSHAL NEY, THE FATE OF FRANCE IS IN YOUR HANDS! HURL BACK WELLINGTON'S CENTER!
WE ARE VETERANS HERE! ANOTHER VICTORY SHALL MARK OUR FLAG!

WITH THE CALM ASSURANCE OF EXPERIENCE, THE VETERAN FRENCH TROOPS OF THE GREAT VICTORIES OF MARENGO AND AUSTERLITZ ADVANCE, THEIR PROUD EAGLES FLOUTING THE ENGLISH LINE..

BY BRILLIANT MANEUVERING, RYDER'S FORCES HURL THE ALLIES' LINE BACK, ADVANCING WITH SWORD, BAYONET AND GUN..


MARSHAL! DUST TO THE RIGHT! MANY TROOPS ARE COMING..THEY ARE NOT OURS!
THE PRUSSIANS UNDER BULOW ARE STILL UNCOMMITTED! THEY MAY BE ADVANCING ON US!

CAREFULLY, RYDER FOCUSES HIS GLASSES ON THE DISTANT TROOPS! THERE IS NO DOUBT NOW, IT IS BULOW'S CAVALRY ADVANCING ON HIS UNPROTECTED FLANK


BUT AT THAT DECISIVE MOMENT, HALF A DOZEN RIDERS COME IN WITH MESSAGES, ALL EQUALLY PRESSING...
NEY FAILED AT LA HAY SAINTE! SHOULD HE TRY AGAIN?
MARSHAL GROUCHY STILL AWAITS ORDERS! SHOULD HE COME INTO THE FIGHT?
FORGET MARSHAL GROUCHY, NEY IS THE ONE I MUST HELP NOW! I'LL RIDE TO HIM MYSELF!
BUT WHILE THE HARASSED RYDER IS WITH NEY THE PRUSSIANS, UNOPPOSED BY MARSHAL GROUCHY'S MEN, CUT THE EXPOSED FRENCH FLANK, ROUTING AND SCATTERING THE FRENCH TROOPS.
DISASTER SWEEPS THE FRENCH RANKS, AS THEY BREAK AND TURN! RYDER GALLOPS BACK, RUSHING INTO NAPOLEON'S TENT...
IT IS TOO LATE! IN THE EXCITEMENT I FORGOT TO CALL IN MARSHAL GROUCHY! THE PRUSSIANS HAVE CRUSHED US!
I WILL BE BLAMED FOR THIS AND NOT YOU..
BUT BEFORE NAPOLEON CAN FINISH HIS SENTENCE, GENERAL RYDER FEELS ANOTHER HAND ON HIS SHOULDER AND LOOKS UP IN AMAZEMENT..
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN, GRANDFATHER? I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU FOR OVER AN HOUR!
WHY, I WAS RIGHT HERE! I MUST'VE DOZED OFF!
YOU WEREN'T THERE! I LOOKED IN THAT CHAIR... BUT THIS IS WHAT I CAME TO SHOW YOU! IT'S THE LATEST RESEARCH ON WATERLOO! NAPOLEON DIDN'T LOSE THE BATTLE! HE WAS SICK! HE WASN'T IN COMMAND OF THE FRENCH!
WHAT PROOF HAS THAT HISTORIAN FOR SAYING NAPOLEON WASN'T IN COMMAND?
A NEWLY DISCOVERED CONTEMPORARY PRINT DRAWN BY AN ARTIST AT THE FIELD OF BATTLE! IT SHOWS THE MAN ACTUALLY IN COMMAND OF THE FRENCH AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR DEFEAT.
BUT THEY STILL HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY THAT DEFEATED OFFICER!
PICTURE DRAWN FROM LIFE BY UNKNOWN ARTIST AT THE FIELD OF BATTLE! A MASTERPIECE!
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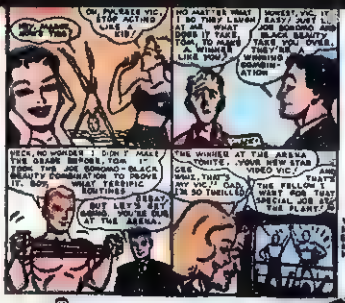
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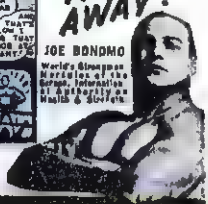

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"Doesn't look any different here than it did through our scopes," Kroog observed. "Perhaps when we plunge through this veil of vapor, we'll get a better idea of this planet. Be prepared for any emergency."

The spaceship swept through the heavy mist and suddenly slipped into a clear, sun-lit sky. Momentarily, they were blinded.

"Perhaps that's what happened to our patrols," Kroog cried out when he regained his normal vision. "Maybe they were blinded by that fierce light and crashed."

"It certainly is a different world we're in," his aide marveled. "It's not dull and dreary-looking, like our planet. Look at the rainbow colors coming from the sun. And look at the land below! It's smooth and rich . . . not like our rocky, crater-pocked terrain. And look, Commander," his voice rose shrilly, "there are our six missing ships on the landing strip below!"

"All undamaged and none dismantled," Commander Kroog commented in surprise. "That means they didn't crash and that they must have *chosen* to remain. Let's land quickly and learn the reason for ourselves."

"Shall I radio our home station?" the Lieutenant inquired.

"That can wait until we've looked around a bit," Kroog answered slowly. "Then, we'll give them a comprehensive report."

The ship swooped down for a perfect landing. After it was securely moored, the men stepped outside. "My, how mild and pleasant it is," Kroog remarked. "We won't need this heavy clothing."

"You won't need those masks or weapons either, Commander Kroog," a voice remarked. "The people are peaceful here, and they don't want war with any other planets. Their civilization is more advanced than we thought, too. They breathe air here. At home, we need masks because there is no atmosphere."

As soon as Kroog regained his composure, he addressed the group of figures gathered around his ship. "Who are you? How do you know my name? And how can you speak of my home?"

"You may not recognize us in our other-creature form now, Commander, but you'll get used to it eventually. That converter certainly did the trick," one man remarked.

"We're the volunteers you sent on those six missions," another explained. "We've been wondering how long it would take you to get wise."

"We liked it so much, we all decided to stay," a third added.

"We think you'll want to stay, too, sir," a fourth spoke up.

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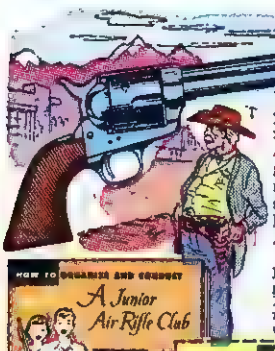

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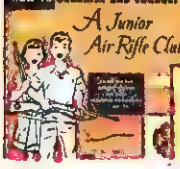

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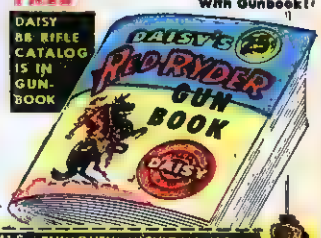

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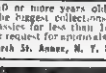

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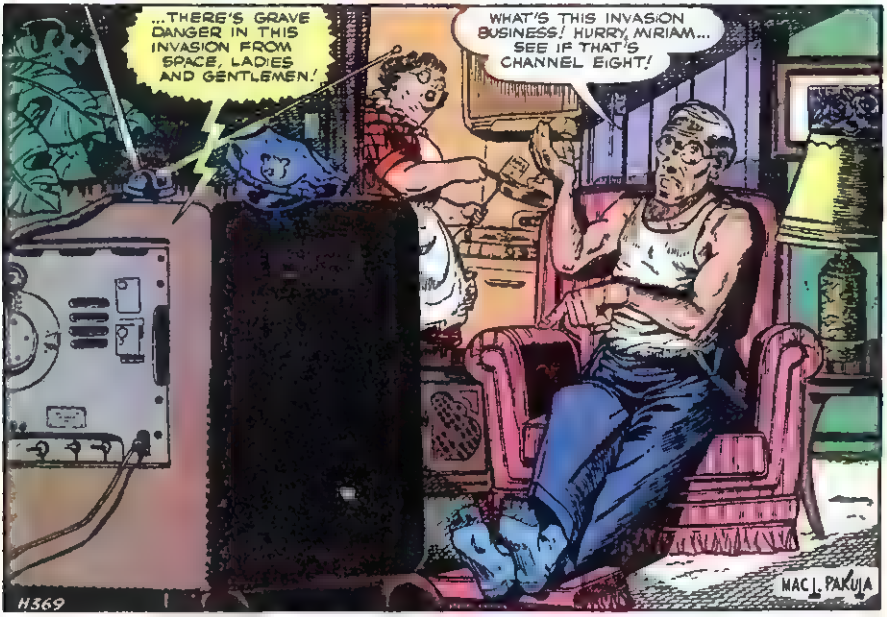
...THERE'S GRAVE DANGER IN THIS INVASION FROM SPACE, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN!
WHAT'S THIS INVASION BUSINESS! HURRY, MIRIAM... SEE IF THAT'S CHANNEL EIGHT!
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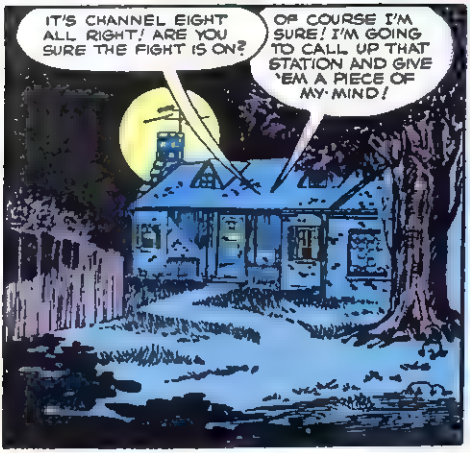
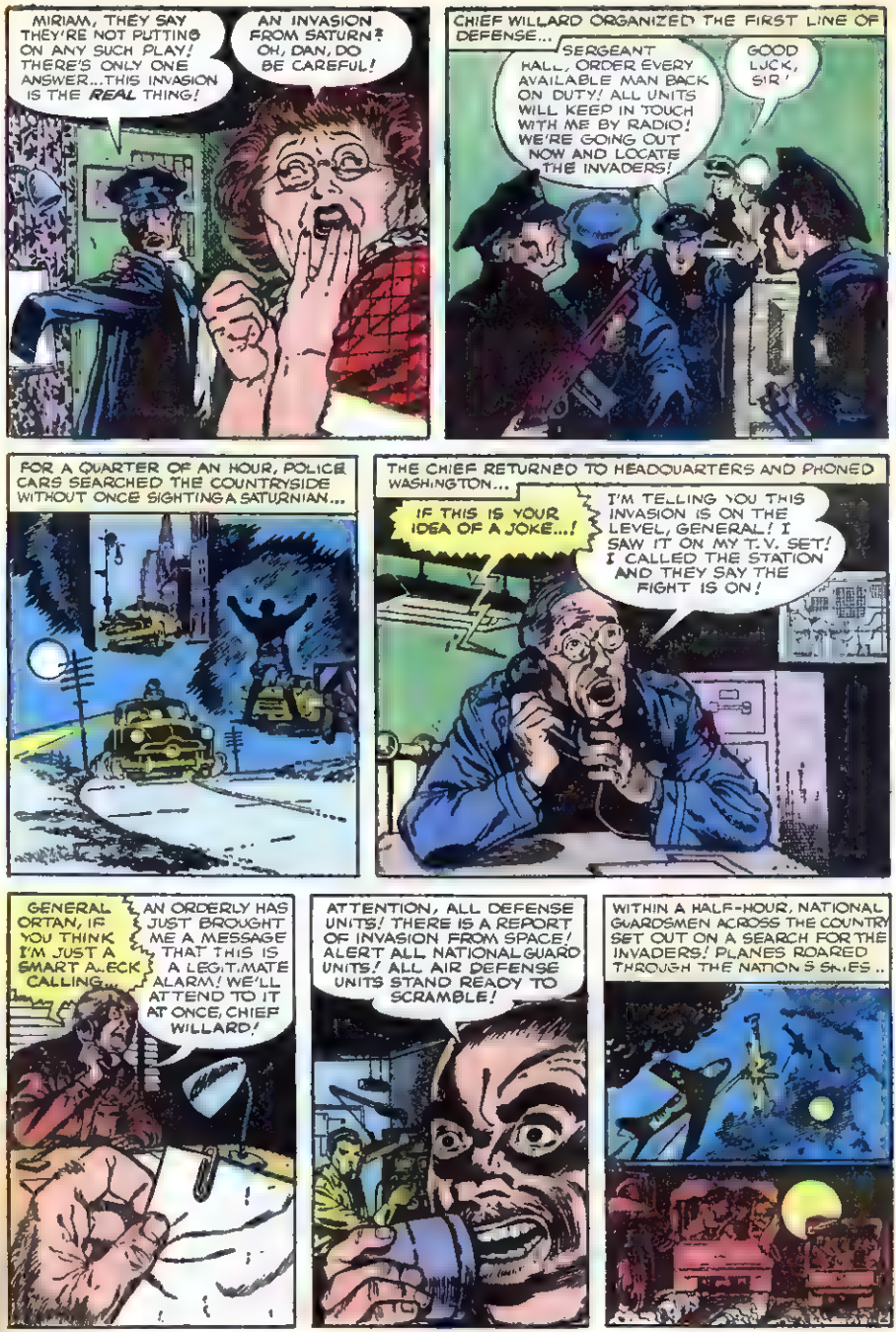
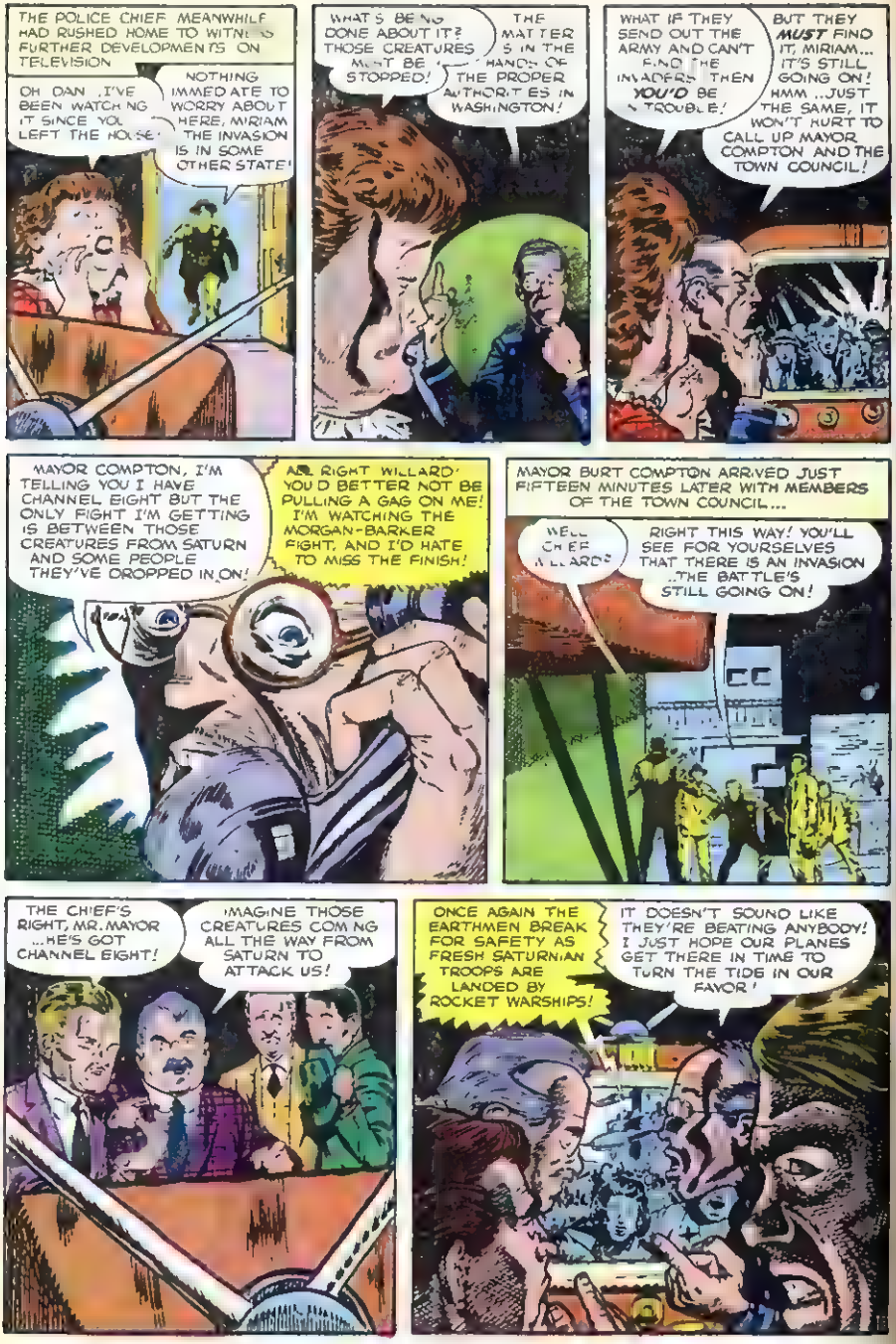
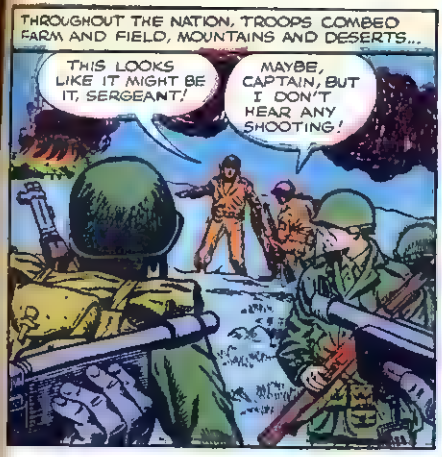

IT'S CHANNEL EIGHT ALL RIGHT! ARE YOU SURE THE FIGHT IS ON?
OF COURSE I'M SURE! I'M GOING TO CALL UP THAT STATION AND GIVE 'EM A PIECE OF MY MIND!

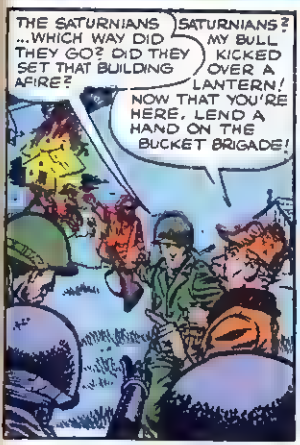
A MINUTE LATER ..
INVASION MOVIE? YOU'D BETTER CHECK AND SEE IF YOU'VE GOT CHANNEL EIGHT, SIR! WE'RE TELECASTING THE MORGAN-BARKER MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE BOUT!
.. AND NOW SATURNIANS GO ON THE OFFENSIVE WITH A TREMENDOUS DRIVE! THE EARTHLINGS ARE IN FULL FLIGHT!


MIRIAM, THEY SAY THEY'RE NOT PUTTING ON ANY SUCH PLAY! THERE'S ONLY ONE ANSWER...THIS INVASION IS THE REAL THING!
AN INVASION FROM SATURN? OH, DAN, DO BE CAREFUL!
CHIEF WILLARD ORGANIZED THE FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE...
SERGEANT HALL, ORDER EVERY AVAILABLE MAN BACK ON DUTY! ALL UNITS WILL KEEP IN TOUCH WITH ME BY RADIO! WE'RE GOING OUT NOW AND LOCATE THE INVADERS!
GOOD LUCK, SIR!
FOR A QUARTER OF AN HOUR, POLICE CARS SEARCHED THE COUNTRYSIDE WITHOUT ONCE SIGHTING A SATURNIAN...
THE CHIEF RETURNED TO HEADQUARTERS AND PHONED WASHINGTON...
IF THIS IS YOUR IDEA OF A JOKE...!
I'M TELLING YOU THIS INVASION IS ON THE LEVEL, GENERAL! I SAW IT ON MY T.V. SET! I CALLED THE STATION AND THEY SAY THE FIGHT IS ON!
GENERAL ORTAN, IF YOU THINK I'M JUST A SMART ALECK CALLING...
AN ORDERLY HAS JUST BROUGHT ME A MESSAGE THAT THIS IS A LEGITIMATE ALARM! WE'LL ATTEND TO IT AT ONCE, CHIEF WILLARD!
ATTENTION, ALL DEFENSE UNITS! THERE IS A REPORT OF INVASION FROM SPACE! ALERT ALL NATIONAL GUARD UNITS! ALL AIR DEFENSE UNITS STAND READY TO SCRAMBLE!
WITHIN A HALF-HOUR, NATIONAL GUARDSMEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY SET OUT ON A SEARCH FOR THE INVADERS! PLANES ROARED THROUGH THE NATION'S SKIES..


THE POLICE CHIEF MEANWHILE HAD RUSHED HOME TO WITNESS FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS ON TELEVISION
OH DAN, I'VE BEEN WATCHING IT SINCE YOU LEFT THE HOUSE!
NOTHING IMMEDIATE TO WORRY ABOUT HERE, MIRIAM. THE INVASION IS IN SOME OTHER STATE!
WHAT'S BEING DONE ABOUT IT? THOSE CREATURES MUST BE STOPPED!
THE MATTER IS IN THE HANDS OF THE PROPER AUTHORITIES IN WASHINGTON!
WHAT IF THEY SEND OUT THE ARMY AND CAN'T FIND THE INVADERS? THEN YOU'D BE IN TROUBLE!
BUT THEY MUST FIND IT, MIRIAM... IT'S STILL GOING ON! HMM ..JUST THE SAME, IT WON'T HURT TO CALL UP MAYOR COMPTON AND THE TOWN COUNCIL!
MAYOR COMPTON, I'M TELLING YOU I HAVE CHANNEL EIGHT BUT THE ONLY FIGHT I'M GETTING IS BETWEEN THOSE CREATURES FROM SATURN AND SOME PEOPLE THEY'VE DROPPED IN ON!
ALL RIGHT WILLARD! YOU'D BETTER NOT BE PULLING A GAG ON ME! I'M WATCHING THE MORGAN-BARKER FIGHT, AND I'D HATE TO MISS THE FINISH!
MAYOR BURT COMPTON ARRIVED JUST FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER WITH MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL...
WELL CHIEF WILLARD?
RIGHT THIS WAY! YOU'LL SEE FOR YOURSELVES THAT THERE IS AN INVASION ..THE BATTLE'S STILL GOING ON!
THE CHIEF'S RIGHT, MR. MAYOR ...HE'S GOT CHANNEL EIGHT!
IMAGINE THOSE CREATURES COMING ALL THE WAY FROM SATURN TO ATTACK US!
ONCE AGAIN THE EARTHMEN BREAK FOR SAFETY AS FRESH SATURNIAN TROOPS ARE LANDED BY ROCKET WARSHIPS!
IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE THEY'RE BEATING ANYBODY! I JUST HOPE OUR PLANES GET THERE IN TIME TO TURN THE TIDE IN OUR FAVOR!

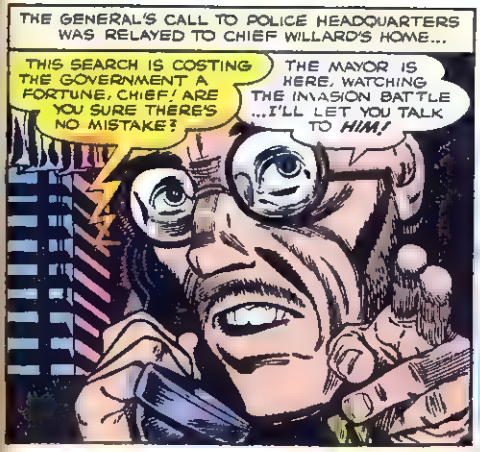

THROUGHOUT THE NATION, TROOPS COMBED FARM AND FIELD, MOUNTAINS AND DESERTS...
THIS LOOKS LIKE IT MIGHT BE IT, SERGEANT!
MAYBE, CAPTAIN, BUT I DON'T HEAR ANY SHOOTING!

FORWARD, MEN! CHARGE! SHOW THE INVADERS NO QUARTER!


THE SATURNIANS ...WHICH WAY DID THEY GO? DID THEY SET THAT BUILDING AFIRE?
SATURNIANS? MY BULL KICKED OVER A LANTERN!
NOW THAT YOU'RE HERE, LEND A HAND ON THE BUCKET BRIGADE!

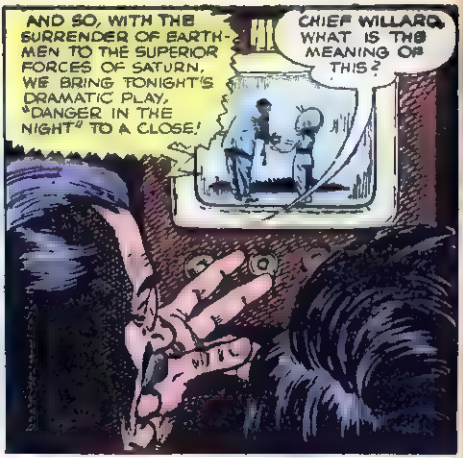
IT WAS THE SAME ACROSS THE LAND...
ANOTHER FALSE ALARM, MEN! IT'S JUST A NIGHT BASEBALL GAME!

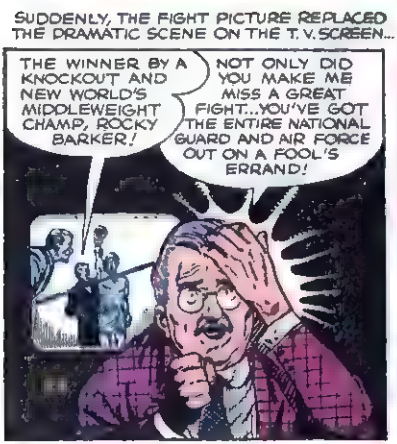
AND IN WASHINGTON, D.C., GENERAL ORTAN WAS TORN BETWEEN SERIOUS DOUBT AND GRAVE CONCERN...
ALL RADIO REPORTS ARE IN NOW, SIR! HARDLY A SQUARE MILE OF THE COUNTRY HASN'T BEEN COVERED, BUT THERE'S NOTHING GOING ON ANYWHERE!
TELL 'EM TO KEEP LOOKING! I'M GOING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THAT POLICE CHIEF AGAIN!


THE GENERAL'S CALL TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS WAS RELAYED TO CHIEF WILLARD'S HOME...
THIS SEARCH IS COSTING THE GOVERNMENT A FORTUNE, CHIEF! ARE YOU SURE THERE'S NO MISTAKE?
THE MAYOR IS HERE, WATCHING THE INVASION BATTLE ...I'LL LET YOU TALK TO HIM!

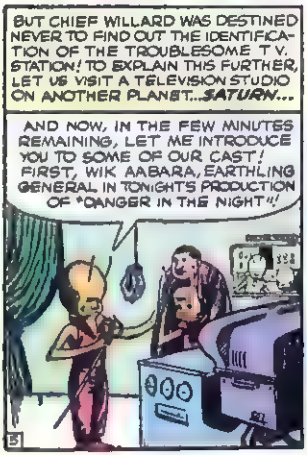
THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, GENERAL ORTAN! THE FIGHT BETWEEN OUR PEOPLE AND THOSE OF SATURN IS STILL GOING ON!
THEN SOMEBODY HAS BLUNDERED! WELL, THANK YOU... I'LL ORDER THE SEARCH CONTINUED! EVERY INCH OF THE COUNTRY WILL BE GONE OVER AGAIN!

IT'S STRANGE THERE'S BEEN NO INVASION REPORT BY PHONE OR RADIO FROM THE BATTLE AREA ITSELF!
PROBABLY THE PHONE LINES ARE DOWN! I THINK.. HEY, LISTEN!


AND SO, WITH THE SURRENDER OF EARTHMEN TO THE SUPERIOR FORCES OF SATURN, WE BRING TONIGHT'S DRAMATIC PLAY, "DANGER IN THE NIGHT" TO A CLOSE!
CHIEF WILLARD WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?


SUDDENLY, THE FIGHT PICTURE REPLACED THE DRAMATIC SCENE ON THE T. V. SCREEN...
THE WINNER BY A KNOCKOUT AND NEW WORLD'S MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMP, ROCKY BARKER!
NOT ONLY DID YOU MAKE ME MISS A GREAT FIGHT...YOU'VE GOT THE ENTIRE NATIONAL GUARD AND AIR FORCE OUT ON A FOOL'S ERRAND!

THEN IT WAS JUST A TELEVISION PLAY AFTER ALL! I'LL SEE TO IT THAT THAT STATION LOSES ITS LICENSE!


BUT CHIEF WILLARD WAS DESTINED NEVER TO FIND OUT THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE TROUBLESOME T.V. STATION! TO EXPLAIN THIS FURTHER, LET US VISIT A TELEVISION STUDIO ON ANOTHER PLANET...SATURN...
AND NOW, IN THE FEW MINUTES REMAINING, LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO SOME OF OUR CAST! FIRST, WIK AABARA, EARTHLING GENERAL IN TONIGHT'S PRODUCTION OF "DANGER IN THE NIGHT"!
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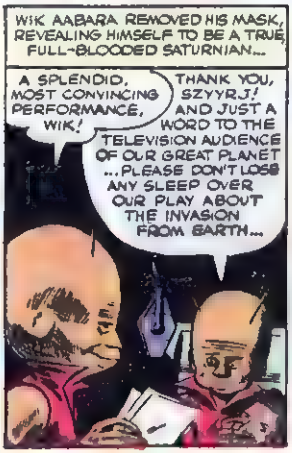
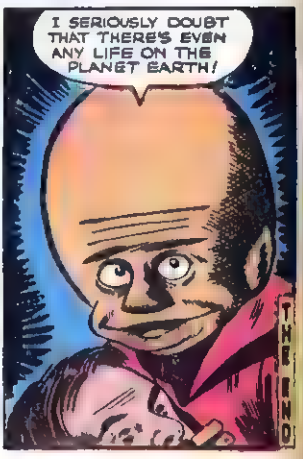

WIK AABARA REMOVED HIS MASK, REVEALING HIMSELF TO BE A TRUE, FULL-BLOODED SATURNIAN...
A SPLENDID, MOST CONVINCING PERFORMANCE, WIK!
THANK YOU, SZYYRJ! AND JUST A WORD TO THE TELEVISION AUDIENCE OF OUR GREAT PLANET ...PLEASE DON'T LOSE ANY SLEEP OVER OUR PLAY ABOUT THE INVASION FROM EARTH...


I SERIOUSLY DOUBT THAT THERE'S EVEN ANY LIFE ON THE PLANET EARTH!
THE END

GAIN WEIGHT stop being SKINNY!

Now at last—QUICKLY—EASILY put firm, attractive pounds and inches on your body, chest, arms and legs.

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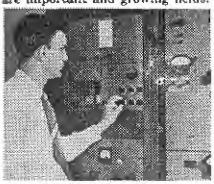

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